

days previous he had joined the Restaurant Keepers' Association, which had done so much to kill the six-day bill in Springfield."

That the Restaurant Keepers' Association had spies trailing Mrs. Robins on all her speech-making trips was brought to light when Attorney Willard McEwen began reading stenographic reports of her speeches in which she presented the girls' case.

"In a speech recently did you say: Under the co-operative system we may be even running Henrici's restaurant," asked McEwen.

Mrs. Robins said she did.

"I noticed the mysterious person taking notes at that meeting," said Mrs. Robins. "When I asked him where he was from he said The Tribune."

"Would he have been ordered out if it had been known where he was from?"

Mrs. Robins smiled. "I think it exceedingly interesting that a young man acting for the Restaurant Keepers' Association should misrepresent himself that way."

McEwen began reading from her speeches again. "Did you say 'If political action will not accomplish the standardization of wages and working hours then trades unionism must.' Again Mrs. Robins nodded.

"In your speech at Hull House you were very bitter over the defeat of labor bills at Springfield," said McEwen.

"No, I wasn't bitter," Mrs. Robins said very calmly. "The defeat of labor bills is too frequent. The Woman's Trade Union League has had to face defeat too often to be bitter."

Mrs. Robins explained that while Collins admitted there was a strike of the cooks and bakers, the waitresses were locked out.

"What do you mean by a lockout?"

"The action of an employer in barring his employees because they affiliate with some organization," she explained.

Margaret Canning, a former Henrici waitress, who was discharged without explanation, followed Mrs. Robins.

She told of hearing Helen Brunt, an alleged Henrici spy, tell Maggie Bemis, the head waitress, that she, Miss Canning, belonged to the union. Right after that she was fired.

Miss Canning got \$7 a week at Henrici's. For this money she worked 75 hours one week and 67 the next. She said that if a girl didn't tip the bus boy 10 or 15 cents a day out of this money she would get no service.

She also said the girls were forced to pay for all the dishes they broke; that in four months she paid \$5 for broken dishes. On one occasion she was obliged to pay 70 cents because a plate on which was a steak fell to the floor and broke.

"Did you pay for all you broke?" asked McEwen.

"All that I got caught at," smiled back Miss Canning. And every one laughed.

"Did you always get caught?"

"Well, they've got awfully good watch dogs there." A watchdog is a spy, explained the girl.

"Where do you work now?"

"I work extra at the Press Club and at the Progressive Club."

"Do you have to pay for broken dishes at those places?"

"No," answered the girl.

The hearing was continued until Tuesday.

ARREST OF WOMAN EXPECTED IN ALLEGED MURDER PLOT

New York, March 13.—Arrest of wealthy woman expected following charges by police that she offered three gangsters \$500 to murder Maurice Keating, rich contractor, in revenge for death of her pet dog. Detectives got their first clue when the gangsters and the woman quarreled because she paid them only \$200 for the attack on Keating which resulted in his being slashed in the face with a knife, but not killed.